# **Supporting Information**

# Magnetic Fe NPs as Peroxidase Nanozyme for Sensitive and Rapid Colorimetric Monitoring of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> and Xanthine

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#### Materials and apparatus

Iron(III) chloride hexahydrate (FeCl<sub>3</sub>.6H<sub>2</sub>O), xanthine, and sodium borohydride (NaBH<sub>4</sub>) were obtained from Aladdin Reagent Co., Ltd. (Shanghai, China). Xanthine oxidase (XOD) and ascorbic acid were obtained from Shanghai Yuanye Biological Technology Co., Ltd. (Shanghai, China). Glucose, L-cysteine, uric acid, L-lysine, cholesterol, L-tyrosine, D-fructose, lactose, D-maltose monohydrate, glutathione, NaHPO<sub>4</sub><sup>3-</sup>, and H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> were bought from Shanghai Titan Technology Co., Ltd. (Shanghai, China). TMB was purchased from Adamas Reagent Co., Ltd. (Shanghai, China), 2',7'-dichlorofluorescein (DCF) was purchased from Macklin Biochemical Co., Ltd (Shanghai, China). Thiourea, *p*-benzoquinone, and NaN<sub>3</sub> were purchased from Kelong Chemical Reagent Co., Ltd. (Chengdu, China). All the human serum samples were achieved from the School Hospital.

The XRD was performed on a D/MAX-2500 (Rigaku, USA). The XPS study was conducted by K-ALPHA (Thermo Fisher Scientific, U.K.). A Hitachi U-4100 spectrometer (Japan) was used to record UV-vis absorption spectra. Magnetic Fe NPs were characterized using a FEI Tecnai G2 F20 transmission electron microscope (TEM). The magnetic performance of Fe NPs was researched by a PPMS-9T vibrating-sample magetometer (USA). Radical signals were measured by electron spin resonance (ESR, Bruker EMXplus).

#### **Preparation of Fe NPs**

According to the reported method,<sup>1</sup> the synthesis procedure of magnetic Fe NPs was as follows: typically, 0.6768 g of FeCl<sub>3</sub>· $6H_2O$  and 0.2891 g of NaBH<sub>4</sub> were dispersed in 100 mL ddH<sub>2</sub>O, respectively. The NaBH<sub>4</sub> solution was quickly added to the FeCl<sub>3</sub> solution. Subsequently, the mixed solution was stirred and reacted for 1 h. The obtained black outcome was washed with ddH<sub>2</sub>O and ethanol, respectively. At last, the obtained product was dried at 60 °C for 8 h, and saved in a dry environment for subsequent experiments.

### The operation of reusability experiment in Figure S8B

The reusability experiment was performed under the same conditions of the analysis (pH 3.5 NaAc-HAc buffer, Fe NPs 1 mg/mL,  $H_2O_2$  100  $\mu$ M, TMB 5mM, react at room temperature, reaction time 10 min). The volume of reaction system was enlarged for 300 times from 3.0 mL to 900 mL. After reaction for 10 min, the Fe NPs was collected with magnet and washed by ethanol for twice and then dried at 60 °C under vacuum condition. About 4.0 mg power could be collected. The collected Fe NPs nanozyme can be employed for the second cycle in detection of  $H_2O_2$ .



Figure S1. (a) TEM and (b) HRTEM images of Fe NPs. (c) EDX spectra of different points of outer shell of Fe NPs.



Figure S2. Magnetic hysteresis curve of Fe NPs. Inset: pictures of Fe NPs in solution with and without a magnet.



**Figure S3**. (A) Absorption spectra of  $H_2O_2$ , TMB +  $H_2O_2$ , Fe NPs nanozyme +  $H_2O_2$ , Fe NPs nanozyme + TMB , and Fe NPs nanozyme + TMB +  $H_2O_2$ . Inset is the corresponding photographs of five reactions (from left to right):  $H_2O_2$ , TMB +  $H_2O_2$ , Fe NPs nanozyme +  $H_2O_2$ , Fe NPs nanozyme + TMB , and Fe NPs nanozyme + TMB +  $H_2O_2$ . (B) Excitation and emission spectra of DCF in the presence of Fe NPs nanozyme (red line) and absence of Fe NPs nanozyme (black line).



Figure S4.  $A_{652}$  variance of the TMB/H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>/Fe NPs system in the presence of BQ, TH, and NaN<sub>3</sub>.



**Figure S5.** An analysis of the steady-state kinetics of the Fe NPs-based catalytic system employing the Michaelis-Menten model (A and C) and Lineweaver-Burk double-reciprocal model (B and D). (A) Reaction velocity plots with a unchanged TMB concentration (1.5 mM) and  $H_2O_2$  concentration changed. (C) Reaction velocity plots with a unchanged  $H_2O_2$  concentration (0.5 mM) and TMB concentration varied. (B) and (D) Double reciprocal plots of the catalytic system with the content of one substrate ( $H_2O_2$  or TMB) changed. The catalytic system was performed at pH 3.5 with 1 mg.mL<sup>-1</sup> of Fe NPs.



Figure S6. UV-vis absorption spectra of (A) pH value of Fe NPs nanoenzyme.Optimum conditions for xanthine response based on the Fe NPs nanozyme sensingplatform. (B) pH value of the Fe NPs nanozyme. The error bar represents thedeviationofthreedeterminations.



**Figure S7**. UV-vis absorption spectra of (A) incubation temperature between XOD and xanthine. Optimum conditions for xanthine response based on the Fe NPs nanozyme sensing platform. (B) incubation temperature between XOD and xanthine. The error bar represents the deviation of three determinations.



Figure S8. UV-vis absorption spectra of (A) incubation time between XOD andxanthine. Optimum conditions for xanthine response based on the Fe NPs nanozymesensing platform. (B) incubation time between XOD and xanthine. The error barrepresentsthedeviationofthreedeterminations.



Figure S9. UV-vis absorption spectra of (A) concentration of Fe NPs nanozyme. Optimum conditions for xanthine response based on the Fe NPs nanozyme sensing platform. (B) concentration of Fe NPs nanozyme. The error bar represents the deviation of three determinations.



**Figure S10.** UV-vis absorption spectra of (A) concentration of TMB. Optimum conditions for xanthine response based on the Fe NPs nanozyme sensing platform. (B) concentration of TMB. The error bar represents the deviation of three determinations.



Figure S11. (A) The stability and (B) the reusability of the Fe NPs nanozyme for colorimetric detection of xanthine (50  $\mu$ M). The error bar represents the deviation of three determinations.



Figure S12. (A) The reproducibility testing and (B) the batch-to-batch repeatability of the Fe NPs nanozyme for colorimetric detection of xanthine (50  $\mu$ M).

catalyst	substrate	$K_{\rm m}({\rm mM})$	$V_{ m max} (10^{-8}~{ m M}~{ m s}^{-1})$	reference
Fe NPs	$H_2O_2$	0.024	8.5	this work
	TMB	0.36	17.98	
HRP	$H_2O_2$	3.7	8.71	2
	TMB	0.434	10	
$MoS_2$	$H_2O_2$	0.0116	4.29	3
	TMB	0.525	5.16	
Au NPs	$H_2O_2$	61.34	0.663	4
	TMB	0.11	1.539	
Fe-MIL-88-NH <sub>2</sub>	$H_2O_2$	0.206	7.04	5
	TMB	0.284	10.47	
Fe-PDA	$H_2O_2$	0.16	21.49	6
	TMB	0.4	20.59	
$MoSe_2$	$H_2O_2$	0.155	0.99	7
	TMB	0.014	0.56	
Au <sub>21</sub> Pd <sub>79</sub>	$H_2O_2$	5.89	8.19	8
	TMB	0.295	19.65	
$Fe_3O_4$	$H_2O_2$	2.995	0.9193	9
	TMB	31.20	1.614	
Fe–N–C SACs	$H_2O_2$	13.18	26.62	10
	TMB	0.96	132.58	
Fe-CDs	$H_2O_2$	0.58	4.23	11
	TMB	0.18	5.97	
Fe@MoS <sub>2</sub>	$H_2O_2$	0.030	2.01	12
	TMB	/	/	
Fe SACs	$H_2O_2$	/	/	13
	TMB	0.156	0.219	
NO <sub>2</sub> -MIL-101	$H_2O_2$	1.10	88.9	14
	TMB	9.01	150.3	

 Table S1. Catalytic factors of various peroxidase nanozymes

Method	Linear range	Limit of detection	Reference
Photoluminescent	1-50 μM	0.34 μΜ	15
Electrochemical	1-100 μM	70 nM	16
Colorimetric	0.01-0.32 mM	1.964 μM	7
Colorimetric	0.01-0.5 mM	4.37 μM	17
Colorimetric	125 nM-6.0 μM	23 nM	18
Electrochemical	0.7-200.0 μM	28 nM	19
Colorimetric	0.001-0.05 mM	0.29 mM	20
Colorimetric	0.16-40 μM	0.016 μ Μ	21
Electrochemical	0.10-20 μM	0.006 µM	22
Photoelectrochemical	0.04-90 μM	6.6 nM	23
Surface plasma resonance	0-3 µM	0.0127 μΜ	24
Electrochemical	0.8-450 μM	0.4 μM	25
Colorimetric	0.1-80 μM	0.034 μM	This work

**Table S2.** The comparison of the proposed colorimetric methods with other approaches for xanthine detection.

		xanthine (µM)		
serum samples	added	found (mean $\pm$ SD)	RSD (%)	recovery (%)
Sample 1	5.0	$5.32\pm0.28$	5.3	106.4
	10.0	$10.78\pm0.39$	3.6	107.8
	50.0	$53.56\pm2.51$	4.7	107.1
Sample 2	5.0	$4.98\pm0.34$	6.8	99.6
	10.0	$10.92\pm0.53$	4.9	109.2
	50.0	$51.53 \pm 1.95$	3.8	103.1
Sample 3	5.0	$5.16\pm0.19$	3.7	103.2
	10.0	$10.54\pm0.42$	4.0	105.4
	50.0	$48.75 \pm 2.12$	4.3	97.5

**Table S3.** Assay results for xanthine detection in serum sample by the proposed method

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